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Introduction:

A Barrister for Insurance Companies to Defend Credit Hire & Personal Injury claims from RTAs

Sunny is a barrister with a highly successful practice specialising in credit hire litigation, personal injury/fraud and professional negligence. He is Head of Credit Hire (Defendant Insurance Group) within Clerksroom Chambers.

- “He is truly a star!” | Hebble Law

PROFILE

Called to the Bar for over 16 years, Sunny has made credit hire the focus of his practice. He is instructed by large and small insurance companies and law firms in complex and challenging matters concerning credit hire, personal injury and causation. Sunny’s practice encompasses:

- Credit Hire
- Personal Injury arising from Road Traffic Accidents
- Fraud and Fundamental Dishonesty
- Causation and LVI (Low Velocity Impact)
- Professional Negligence (especially against legal professionals acting in Personal Injury claims)

Sunny is reputed amongst firms who litigate on behalf of insurance companies in defending multi and fast track credit hire claims, and is often requested by insurers to deal with cases involving causation, fraud and fundamental dishonesty.

He delivers high-quality appellant and trial advocacy along with professional advice. He will regularly advise on cases involving applications for committal for contempt, following a finding of fundamental dishonest/fraud in RTA claims.

Credit Hire

- L v M (Bristol County Court) [Sept 2020] | unreported
Acting for insurers, Sunny defended a multi-track claim in the sum of circa £176,000, of which £156,000 was made up of credit hire charges. Following his cross-examination, the claimant solicitors agreed to settle the whole of the claim for £60,000. £116,000 was returned to insurance reserves.

Fraud | Fundamental Dishonesty | s.57 | Causation

- P v B (Birmingham County Court) [Dec 2020] | unreported
Acting for insurers, Sunny successfully defended a claim for personal injury and various special damages. He demonstrated that the nature of the accident could be nothing short of contrived. Sunny successfully also argued, applying Kennedy v Cordia Services LLP [2016] UKSC 6, that the expert evidence was “bare ipse dixit” and carried little or no weight. In addition the court found the Claimant inflated his claim for special damages. Finding fundamental dishonesty the court dismissed the Claimant’s claim. Qualified One Way Costs Shifting was dis-applied.

- U & ANO v M (Clerkenwell & Shoreditch County Court) [2020] | unreported
Sunny’s forensic cross-examination both claimants resulted in the claims being dismissed. He was able to demonstrate that there was no contact and no movement of the claimant’s vehicle that could have caused the claimants’ claimed injuries. The total claim and costs were expected to exceed £50,000, there being 3 claimants in total.

- S v T (Preston County Court) [2019] | Before HHJ Evans | unreported
In defending a claim for personal injury, the pre-accident value of his vehicle, CBT treatment, physiotherapy charges and storage & recovery charges, the defendant insurers had admitted liability and made various interim payments, however, some elements of quantum remained in disputes. On Sunny’s advice the insurers did not concede storage charges. Following cross-examination Her Honour Judge Evans found the claimant had been fundamentally dishonest in claiming those storage charges and applied 57 of the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 effectively dis-applying Qualified One Way Costs shifting.

APPOINTMENTS & MEMBERSHIP

Member of the Honourable Society of Grays Inn

Bar Council Elected Representative (7 years’ call) – 2013 to 2016

Areas of Specialism:

- Public Access Accredited
- Road Traffic - RTA (Without PI), RTA (With Personal Injury), RTA/PI with Fraud/LVI (Defendant)
- Credit Hire (Defendant Insurance)

Personal:

Sunny is married and spends his leisure time travelling. He enjoys spending time with his friends discussing philosophy and politics. In the past, he has raised money for various charities and good causes. In 2013 Sunny ran the London Marathon for Save the Rhino and in 2016 he summited Mount Kilimanjaro for Zoë's Place Baby Hospice.

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